

2.3.13 2005 Average Household Expenditures, by Census Region (\$2009)

<u>Item</u>	<u>Northeast</u>	<u>Midwest</u>	<u>South</u>	<u>West</u>	<u>United States</u>
Energy (1)	2,533	1,959	1,954	1,642	1,987
Shelter (2)	11,055	8,656	7,867	12,445	9,665
Food	7,130	6,316	6,027	6,958	6,510
Telephone, water and other public services	1,423	1,463	1,614	1,653	1,552
Household supplies, furnishings and equipment (3)	2,389	2,577	2,436	3,121	2,610
Transportation (4)	8,487	8,510	8,771	11,052	9,159
Healthcare	2,833	3,119	2,861	2,906	2,924
Education	1,523	1,096	740	1,016	1,032
Personal taxes (5)	2,371	2,553	2,486	3,225	2,643
Other expenditures	13,073	13,132	11,912	14,127	12,903
Average Annual Income	69,230	62,136	58,519	72,380	64,448

Note(s): 1) Average household energy expenditures are calculated from the Residential Energy Consumption Survey (RECS), while average expenditures for other categories are calculated from the Consumer Expenditure Survey (CE). RECS assumed total US households to be 111,090,617 in 2005, while the CE data is based on 117,356,000 "consumer units," which the Bureau of Labor Statistics defines to be financially independent persons or groups of people that use their incomes to make joint expenditure decisions, including all members of a particular household who are related by blood, marriage, or other legal arrangements. CE calculated average annual energy expenditures for the United States to be \$1,943. 2) Shelter includes both owned and rented dwellings, including any expenses for mortgage interest, property taxes, maintenance, repairs, insurance, and other expenses. 3) Household supplies, furnishings and equipments includes the following: laundry and cleaning supplies, postage and stationary, household textiles, furniture, floor coverings, appliances, and other household equipment. 4) Transportation expenditures include public transportation as well as the following vehicle-related expenses: net outlay of vehical purchases, gasoline and motor oil, vehicle finance, maintenance and repairs, insurance, licenses, rental fees, and other charges. CE estimated public transportation to comprise 5.4% of total transportation spending. 5) Personal taxes include federal, state and local income taxes, as well as \$177 per year for "other taxes."

Source(s): EIA, A Look at Residential Energy Consumption in 2005, Oct. 2008, Tables US-1 part 1 for energy expenditures; Bureau of Labor Statistics, Consumer Expenditure Survey 2005, Table 8, Oct. 2010; and EIA, Annual Energy Review 2009, August 2010, Appendix D, p. 383 for price inflators.